MINUTES OF TFCG MEETING

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From: Bob Hunnicutt, Tower Coordinator, Columbia Telecommunications Corporation

A meeting of the Transmission Facility Coordinating Group (TFCG) was held on February 2, 2011. The following people were in attendance:

MEMBERS
Marjorie Williams     DTS
Dave Niblock  (via phone)  DPS
Martin Rookard  (via phone)  WSSC
Mary Pat Wilson  (via phone)  MCPS
Carlton Gilbert     M–NCPPC
John Cuff  (via phone)  OMB
Joan Cole  (via phone)  DTS

STAFF
Bob Hunnicutt  (via phone)  CTC

OTHER ATTENDEES
Amy Byrd       NB&C, LLC for T-Mobile
Hillorie Morrison       NB&C, LLC for T-Mobile
Gregory Rapisarda    Saul Ewing, LLP for T-Mobile

Action Item – December Meeting Minutes: Mary Pat Wilson moved the minutes be approved as written. Carlton Gilbert seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Action Item – Consent Agenda Applications:
1. AT&T application to add nine panel antennas at the 128′ level on a 191′-high monopole located at 13801 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring. (Application # 201102-03) Co-location Conditioned on submission of a structural analysis report based on current standards and including all current antennas and loading on the tower to the DPS at the time of permitting with a copy to the Tower Coordinator and on the Board of Appeals approving a modification to the Special Exception.

2. FiberTower application to attach a dish antenna at the 125′ level on a 140′-high monopole located at 12355 Prosperity Drive, Silver Spring. (Application # 201103-03) Co-location
Motion: Carlton Gilbert moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. Dave Niblock seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

Action Item – Agenda Item #3: T-Mobile application to construct a new 95’-high monopole on Northlake Apartments property located at 14001 Grey Eagle Court in Germantown (Application #201102-04).

Condition: On approval by the Board of Appeals of a Special Exception and for the site accommodating equipment for less than three carriers pursuant to §59-G-2.58, and on approval of an amendment to the Development Plan by the County Council.

Gregory Rapisarda noted that because the plans now show space for future carriers’ equipment, that condition is no longer relevant. Bob Hunnicutt agreed that it was no longer necessary.

Motion: Martin Rookard moved the application be recommended conditioned on approval by the Board of Appeals of a Special Exception and approval of an amendment to the Development Plan by the County Council. Mary Pat Wilson seconded the motion and it was approved with Carlton Gilbert abstaining.

Action Item – Agenda Item #4: T-Mobile application to construct a new 120’ monopole on the Andrews property located at 18420 White’s Ferry Road in Poolesville (Application #201102-05).

Condition: On approval by the Board of Appeals of a Special Exception and a smaller equipment area than required pursuant to §59-G-2.58

Ms. Wilson asked why the name of the site is different from the initial application for this monopole. Mr. Hunnicutt explained that the name of the property owner is wrong on the application. No one caught that error when the initial application for this monopole was reviewed. Since he noticed the error, he changed the site name to show the correct property owner’s last name as part of the TFCG’s identification name. The owner’s name is Milton Andrews, not Milton Milton as the application states.

Motion: Martin Rookard moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. Joan Cole seconded the motion and it was approved with Carlton Gilbert abstaining.

Action Item – Agenda Item #5: T-Mobile application to construct a 120’-high monopole and attach antennas at the top on Sunshine Farm property, 22611 Georgia Ave., Brookeville (Application #201103-01).

Condition: On approval of a Special Exception by the Board of Appeals and meeting the screening requirements in §59-A-6.14 of the zoning code.

Motion: Martin Rookard moved the application be recommended as conditioned by the Tower Coordinator. Dave Niblock seconded the motion and it was approved with Carlton Gilbert abstaining.

The next meeting of the TFCG is scheduled for Wednesday, March 2 at 2 p.m. in the second floor conference room #225 of the COB.